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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-10 (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) Pressure control valve with integrated pressure sensor, comprising:

a valve member arranged in a valve housing,

a sensor element for generating an output signal that is a function of a fluid pressure reaction of the valve housing, wherein the fluid pressure reaction of the valve housing is determined by the sensor element by using the sensor to detect a deformation of the valve housing.

further including a signal-receiving and exciter assembly and wherein said sensor element is attached to said valve housing and is wirelessly connected to said signal-receiving and exciter assembly,

wherein the signal-receiving and exciter assembly couples an electric signal into said sensor element by way of a receiving circuit integrated in the sensor element.

Claims 12-13 (Canceled)

- 14. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 13, wherein the sensor element or the signal-receiving and exciter assembly includes a compensating circuit to stabilize the signal strength of the output signal of the sensor element.
- 15. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 13, wherein the sensor element includes a gauge element and a reference circuit having a reference output signal, and wherein an output signal of the gauge element is combined with the reference output signal to comprise the sensor element output signal.

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16. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 11, wherein the valve housing includes an area made from a thin walled sleeve and wherein the sensor element is arranged on said thin-walled sleeve.

- 17. (Currently amended) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 16, wherein the sensor element includes a gauge ring, a reference ring, and a wire <u>strain gauge</u>[[strain]].
- 18. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 17, further including an exciter ring coaxially aligned with said gauge ring and said reference ring.
- 19. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 18, further including a cover which accommodates a controlling or regulating electronics that is required for the operation of the pressure control valve and is electrically and mechanically connected to several electric contacts of a valve coil of the valve member.
- 20. (Previously presented) Pressure control valve as claimed in claim 19, wherein the valve coil, the controlling or regulating electronics, and a signal-receiving and exciter assembly are combined to form a prefabricated subassembly in the cover.
 - 21. (New) Pressure control valve with integrated pressure sensor, comprising:

a valve member arranged in a valve housing,

a sensor element for generating an output signal that is a function of a fluid pressure reaction of the valve housing, wherein the fluid pressure reaction of the valve housing is determined by the sensor element by using the sensor to detect a deformation of the valve housing,

wherein the sensor element includes a gauge ring, a reference ring, and a wire strain gauge.